

Did You Know:

The Home Builders Association of Central New Mexico has 14 builders in the *Building America* Partner Program?

Program Criteria and Guidelines for the *Building America* Partner Program address issues specific to our region of the United States?



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Moreover, homeowner utility bills have skyrocketed, which generates keen interest in these energy-efficient, environmentally sound homes. You see it on the national news every day—throughout the country.

Since the rolling blackouts began in California, TV stations across the country have been doing segments on energy-efficient homes. This translates into hundreds of thousands of potential home buyers who are interested in homes that save energy and are environmentally friendly.

It's good news for home builders. In central New Mexico, home builders are becoming increasingly intrigued with the challenge of building "Green." And to keep pace with the excitement, the *Building America* Partner Program is changing, too. Criteria for *Building America* are directly focusing on issues specific to our region. In addition, the program focuses on issues such as health and safety, durability, and comfort inside the home. All of these combined produce a high-performance home that is beneficial to our community.

The *Building America* Partner Program works with the local residential building industry to produce communities of homes that require 30% to 50% less energy than the average residences. In addition to this benefit of reducing consumer energy bills, *Building America* is helping home builders reduce construction time and waste by as much as 50%.

With the partnership, support, and guidance of *Building America's* Building Science Consortium, the Home Builders Association of Central New Mexico is taking great strides in making the program a success—for New Mexico home builders, local home buyers, and our environment. Everyone wins!

The *Building America* Partner Program invites you—the home builder—to help construct the future of the home-building industry in central New Mexico.

For more information, contact Lindsay or Michelle at the HBA of CNM office and request a *Building America* packet: 505-344-3294.

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